

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

EGGENWEILER, Hans-Michael et al.

Examiner: Celilia M. Jaisle

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Title: THIAZOLE DERIVATIVES AS PHOSPHODIESTERASE IV INHIBITORS

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to the issuance of an Official Office Action, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments and additions to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 23 of this paper.